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"There are more men ennobled by reading than by nature."

## Oregon—California.

The father of Fay Newth, Alex. Woolley, of Harrisburg, Ore., died recently. He was a well-known and successful physician in the upper Willamette Valley, and accumulated considerable property. The inventory totaled about \$40,000 in U. S. bonds and \$55,000 in other property. The estate goes into a trust fund for the benefit of the only child, Fay Newth, and of the step-mother.

Harlan T. Bishop and his wife chugged and wheezed to Harrisburg and down to Cotton, California, in an ancient Henry. The Harrisburg deaf entertained them for a week, while the Henry was operated on and rejuvenated with repairs. Orwig Harlan says he is going to Texas.

Wm. and Pearl Orwig Toll, of Clatskanie, Ore., were visiting Oscar and Daisy Hostetler Stewart near Harrisburg.

Mrs. Rose Buppus Hostetler has been visiting her married daughter at Albany, Ore.

Leir Hostetler's oldest boy, Ed., came back home Christmas Day from North Bend to stay until February 1st, when he goes back on the night shift at the big Buchner Mill.

Eli Baker has received an inquiry from a Kansas mute about land in the Willamette Valley. Come, by all means, but go slow.

I've been helping in the erection of an addition to a sawmill. Also shinned up several tall trees to rig aerials for a wireless listening-in set, and to chop and saw off interfering branches. The abundant moss on one tree made the climbing slippery.

The owner claims he has got Los Angeles, Salt Lake, Spokane, Seattle, Portland. I have several times tried to listen in, and have been uncertain whether it was head noise or really long-distance sound.

January 22d, between one and two A.M., an earthquake lasting about thirty seconds, shook my cot in an east and west direction. I got up in a hurry, thinking a joker had played a trick on me, but I myself could not move my cot, so concluded it was an earthquake.

Remember the Charleston, S. C., earthquake? Well, we fellows were playing one-on-the east of baseball field, at the Ohio School for the Deaf. I made a hit and ran to first base, but could not keep a straight line. The next day A. H. Schory, then my teacher, told of the earthquake of the day before. Is my memory correct? Perhaps several of the players will verify the incident.

The favorite indoor pastime of several deaf mute farmers in the cold winter, is making up a list of as many visible objects as they can identify in an ad. The fee is a subscription to the paper or a purchase of the goods advertised. *Life*, the very serious illustrated magazine owned by Charles Dana Gibson, in its daily newspaper number, told the whole story when it added, in the parody on such advertisement, that it would give the same prize for your guess on your getting the prize! And the prize is one of \$1000 to \$10,000, awarded to the winner or divided equally among those who send correct lists.

January 23d, I experienced my first snow storm in California. About  $\frac{1}{2}$  of an inch fell in the valley where the elevation above sea level is over 1000. In Maine, where the snow is deep and lasts well into Spring, they connect all the farm buildings to the house. The roads are often gone over with a roller to pack the snow, which therefore often lasts well into the growing season, so one sleighs on the road while planting or cultivation is going on in the fields. But the record for snow fall is held by a state which boasts of its climate and uses it as an asset to attract tourists and settlers. In the California Sierras the snow fall has reached a depth of sixty feet. In the Cascades forty feet are not uncommon.

I quit Rancho el Primero January 24th. When two hot tempers clash there is an in agreement. The owner coming from Germany in 1913, is still a Germaniac. The invasion of the French into the Ruhr region soured his temper. Possibly moonshine helped.

T. C. MUELLER. Willets, Cal.

## Sergeant Jasper, The Boy Hero

In all the cities of this great Republic, there is scarcely to be found another city that has been the scene of so many vital events in making the history of the United States as the quaint old town of Charleston on the South Carolina coast.

Old relics, monuments, statues, and landmarks are of mute but impressive evidence of her glorious toll! And among the names that starred so magnificently on the stage of American history, none is held in greater reverence than that of Sergeant William Jasper, whose story Charlestoniens never tire in telling.

He was just an unlearned Irish lad, but on East Battery, one of Charleston's most beautiful show places, stands a bronze statue to his memory—the figure of a Continental soldier gazing seaward across the harbor, his right hand pointing toward Fort Moultrie, his left hand holding a flag fixed on a sponge staff.

The base of the pedestal contains a battle-scene representing Sergeant Jasper in the act of mounting the rescued flag.

And our memories hark backward to that memorable day of June 28th, 1776, when the hitherto unknown Irish youth covered himself with glory. It was a trying time for the struggling Americans. Their supply of ammunition was so scarce that the windows of the dwelling houses of Charleston had been stripped of their weights to supply the inadequate need of bullets, and the allotment of powder was so small that they realized that it must be used with the greatest economy.

On a little island set in the blue waters of the Charleston harbor was the crude fort built of palmetto logs, laid in parallel rows sixteen feet apart and filled in between the rows with sand. With smiles of derision and scorn, the British officers, on their well-equipped ships, looked at this little fort so rudely built. It would be mere child's play to overcome it, they thought—they with their shipload of guns and ammunition to fight against a little band of men with only twenty-five or thirty guns, and such a meagre supply of ammunition.

But their derisive smiles were changed to looks of surprise as the incessant shower of balls from the well-aimed American guns began to rake the deck of their ships, while their own bullets went over the fort or else sank into the soft palmetto logs.

In the thickest of the fight, the staff of the American flag was struck and it tottered and fell, carrying with it the flag which stood to the little band of struggling colonists as a symbol of the cause for which they fought. And there it lay, the crescent flag, on the beach in front of the fort, and no one, volunteered to replace it. There were older men in the company—ardent patriots who loved their country—who did not risk their lives to restore the beloved flag amid the torrent of shells from the enemy's ship, and thus it was left to a mere boy, the simple, unlearned Irish sergeant, who seeing that no one volunteered, looked into his commander's face, his eyes shining with zeal and patriotism, as he said:

"Colonel Moultrie, don't let us fight without a flag!"

And with bullets whizzing all about him, William Jasper leaped down outside the parapet, passed along the entire front of the fort, sized the flag, attached it to a sponge staff, and remounting the rampart deliberately fixed it in position.

This act of heroism by a beardless youth inspired the men to renewed and persistent efforts, and, as a result, they were crowned with victory, thus securing the first decisive defeat of the combined British navy and army during the Revolutionary War.

As an appreciation of his heroic deed, a lieutenant's commission was offered to Sergeant Jasper, but this he modestly declined by saying that his lack of education unfitted him for a higher position than that which he held. What a proof of unselfish, patriotic devotion!

Three years later, at the siege of Savannah, Georgia, the flags of France and Carolina were planted side by side on the parapet, and again the flag that Jasper revered was shot away, and the young hero of Fort Moultrie, in attempting to re-

peat his former act of gallantry, was shot as he regained the rampart and fell back dying, with the color, for which he had given his life, clasped to his heart. With the fall of Charleston this flag was taken by the British officers and is said to be now in the tower of London.

In all school histories of the United States, a brief sketch of Sergeant Jasper is to be found, but in South Carolina and Georgia his memory is kept in grateful remembrance and each generation tells to its children the story of the brave Irish lad who gave his life for the flag of 500' was substituted.

On Thursday evening, January 11th, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. E. Comp entertained a number of friends, who were all members of the "Friday Night Club" over a dozen years ago. Most of them were connected with the two state schools and each Friday night they met at a member's home to spend the evening, playing High Five. They were all out of practice, so the popular game of 500' was substituted.

Omaha Division, No. 32, held its regular meeting Saturday evening, January 13th, at Seymour Hall. Thirty-five were present. After the business session seven novices rode a lively and treacherous goat, the "largest and fiercest in captivity." Oh, Boy! It was the greatest initiation ever pulled off in this neck of the woods. The Division's "baby," Bro. Leo R. Holway, had the time of his life. The other six initiated were Brothers Sowell, Toxword, Arthur Johnson, Frank Toxword, Weidman and Elmer Hansen.

We are glad to say Mr. Anderson was admitted and know he will be a credit to the N. F. S. D. The goat will be ready for you, Tom!

The engagement of Miss Cecelia Birk and F. Arthur Clayton is announced. Congratulations. Next?

Omaha Division gave a Bunco party at the Nebraska School on January 20th. Eighteen tables were

played with the following taking the prizes: First, Mrs. H. S. Lee and Archie Babcock; second, Mrs. John M. O'Brien and Tom L. Anderson; third, Grace M. Long and Walter Chase. William Sabin, of Vesta, Neb., Archie Babcock, of Wayne, Neb., Wilbur L. Stichler, of Lincoln, Neb., John W. Barrett, of Los Angeles, Cal., and Mrs. Vernon Butterbaugh, were visitors. Mr. Barrett and his son Paul, are here for a two weeks' visit with old friends. They also came to attend to some real estate business in Council Bluffs. Mr. Barrett is looking fine and healthy, and says that he and Mrs. Barrett are very well satisfied with California and its opportunities.

Miss Margaret Watkins, for more

than thirty-three years a teacher at the Iowa School, died there of heart failure Sunday, January 21st. She had taken ill only the day previous.

She was in her sixties. The pupils and teachers had gathered in the chapel Monday to pay tribute to her and give a last look, but the undertaker had already taken the body to be sent to her home in Iowa City, Ia., where she was buried. Dr. J. S. Long, Tom L. Anderson, John W. Barrett and Edwin H. Rother, an old friend, made a few remarks on her life and school work. Mrs. William Thompson (nee Dorothy Long) has taken her place for the rest of the school year.

## OMAHA.

Now the water table in this country is steadily falling. It is said that, taking the whole country into account, it has dropped on the average nine feet in the last fifty years, and that in some states, as Iowa, for example, it has fallen more than twelve feet. It needs no argument to show that is a bad thing for the fertility of the soil. In years when the rainfall is sufficient during the growing season it makes no particular difference; but in time of drought it can easily make the difference between a crop saved or a crop lost.

It behoves those who are interested in agriculture to find out what has caused the water table to

recede and to check the process if they can.

The cause does not appear to be a diminished rainfall. If there is less rain now than there was fifty years ago the difference is small. So at least the meteorologists tell us. The fact is that we have not understood the necessity of husbanding the moisture in the soil, and we have done much to waste it. Cutting down the forests that once covered much of the country east of the Mississippi has had its effect, for there is nothing like a forest to hold water in the soil. The run-off after a rainfall on the bare slopes of hills and the comparatively hard surface of cultivated fields is tremendous. Millions of tons of water that was formerly held in the soft porous earth of the forests escapes each year in floods and freshets. The cutting of the forests was inevitable, but careful restoration in regions that are not well suited for profitable farming would help to restore the water table to its old level.

Many observers believe also that in some parts of the country we have carried the drainage of the soil to excess, and that in the effort to

reclaim low-lying lands we have depleted the reservoirs of soil water

that nature provided and have hurried water out to sea that would be much more usefully employed in preserving the water-level in the ground.

The matter is still open to debate, for we have no satisfactory

proof of the precise effect that drainage has on the water-table; but it is reasonable to suppose that it has some effect.

Would not a careful hydrographic survey of the great

farming regions where underdrainage is largely practiced be a useful

thing for the Department of Agriculture to undertake? It would probably considerably increase our understanding of the problem and our knowledge of the way to meet it. —*Youth's Companion*.

Olive Oil

The olive is the fruit of an evergreen tree. It belongs to the same family as the lilac and the ash.

Olive trees grow in South America, Mexico, California, Western Asia and all around the Mediterranean Sea.

There is another kind of olive

called the Russian olive tree.

The tree grows about four times

as high as a man. Its leaves are

much like those of the yellow willow.

They are dull green above

and whitish beneath. Its small

white flowers grow in clusters.

There are several kinds of pre-

served olives. Green pickled olives

are soaked in strong lye or lime water

which make them softer and milder

in taste. Then they are soaked in

water for several days, the water

being changed often, and finally put

into jars or bottles covered with

strong brine seasoned with cloves,

cinnamon, and other spices and seal-

ed up. A common kind is often

packed in small wooden kegs.

In making olive oil, it is ground

to a pulp from the ripe fruit. Then

it is put into coarse bags and press-

ed and the oil runs into a cistern.

The pulp is wet with boiling water

and pressed again. Thus the oil is

made into a poorer quality than the

first.

In Europe, olive oil is largely used

in cooking and is eaten instead of

butter. But in this country, it is chiefly used for dressing salads. Much of it is made into Castile and other soaps.

A kind of resin from the olive tree which grows in Italy, is used for perfumery on account of its smell, which is like vanilla. —*Colorado Index*.

## A Canadian Joan of Arc

Madeleine Vercheres became known as "the heroine of Vercheres" in 1701, when she was but a child.

Vercheres was a small settlement in the wilderness near Montreal, which was founded by Madeleine's father, a Frenchman, and there the girl was born.

One beautiful summer day, when Madeleine was only 14 years old, everything seemed quiet and peaceful.

There was no hint of danger, so the men of the settlement decided to go to Montreal for supplies. Only one soldier was left in the fort to defend the women and children against possible attack by the Indians.

Madeleine, who was a great lover

of nature, strayed away from the fort and went down along the river for a walk alone.

Suddenly Madeleine heard a sound which struck terror in her heart.

Turning the little girl saw five Indians in war paint coming toward the fort.

A shower of bullets followed her, and several arrows just missed her as she ran.

When Madeleine neared the fort she turned for another fleeting look at the redskins. One had outdistanced the others and was only a few feet from her. She could almost feel his breath as she rushed on as fast as she could go.

Just as Madeleine reached the fort the savage grabbed the handkerchief which was tied about her neck, but it came away and the Indian found himself clutching it instead of her throat.

The big gate swung open just in time, and Madeleine was safe in the inside.

"To arms!" she cried to two women who were standing near, but they were so frightened that they became hysterical immediately. Without stopping to calm them, Madeleine rushed to the bastion, where the only man at the fort stood.

Seizing the musket, the plucky French girl fired a volley of shots at the Indians who had opened fire just outside the gate. By this time the soldier was firing a large gun at the redskins as fast as he could load and reload it.

Then Madeleine conceived the idea which deceived the Indians into believing that several men—not just one man—were defending the fort. She clapped a military cap on her head, and running back and forth on the parapet, she raised her head up here and there so that the redskins might see the cap. This convinced them that it was time to retreat, and the Indians turned and fled into the woods believing that there were many soldiers in the fort.

—*Plain Dealer*.</

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To the humblest and the weakest  
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Whose love of right is for themselves,  
And not for all the race."

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ADVANCED LESSONS IN LIP-READING  
By Elizabeth Helen Ritchie (Mrs. Edward Nitchie). 313 pp. New York: Frederick A. Stokes Company.

To the interesting and instructive series of volumes on Lip-Reading, some of which were the work of the late Mr. Edward B. Nitchie, and others by his devoted wife and collaborator, the latter has made an important addition in "Advanced Lessons in Lip-Reading," just published by the Stokes Company. It embodies the putting into definite shape the ideas and processes used with advanced pupils in the Nitchie school, with suggestions from other sources.

Mr. Nitchie was himself a brilliant example of the possibilities of his method, and later an exponent and successful instructor of others, who, as in his own case, possessed a modicum of hearing. His method was the outcome of the difficulties which he had personally experienced, and he sought to point out how they might be met and mastered. His process, therefore, as the result of the best judgment of the one who had been "through the mill," form a safe and reliable guide for others meeting the like difficulties. The claim of the Nitchie School is that, with continued practice and a comprehensive mastery of words and of syllabic combinations, of synonyms and antonyms, the lip-reading vocabulary is increased and the ability to lip-read is simplified. Skill in reading the lips is thus made possible for those who recognize the gradual incursion of deafness as a detriment to their daily happiness.

There is nothing so very miraculous in the fact that people familiar with language, who put their mind to the task of acquiring visible aid that will eventually relieve them from the anguish that often accompanies the approach of deafness, may acquire such a power of lip-reading that their infirmity will escape notice. It can be done for it has been done, and is still being accomplished, but it may demand long and arduous practice. The efforts of Mr. Nitchie, now continued by his accomplished associate and assistant, are a real guiding light to those who view the shadow of an infirmity gradually encroaching, and one that threatens their business and social careers.

The main difficulty encountered heretofore has been the lack of a method suitable in every case to adults, and one which can be used by the pupil alone as well as with a teacher. This is what Mrs. Nitchie's present work aims at; it was prepared with the view of meeting the needs of pupils under a teacher, as well as those studying at home.

The aim is to give material for practice, for training pupils to follow

formal talks, lectures and sermons, and the selections are mainly of more than one syllable, presented in rather difficult sentences.

In the order of procedure there are presented a variety in exercises to meet the requirements of different types of pupils, including exercises on the fundamental movements and diaphongs; exercises on synonyms; exercises on prefixes and word-endings; miscellaneous material to be used for practice classes or at home, and miscellaneous practice material. The concluding section offers suggestions as to how the book can be used to advantage, and furnishes a list of stories of a variety of types which will be found helpful. We consider the work an excellent one for the purpose in view and commend its well-arranged and great variety of exercises, the general mental training it affords, and its adaptability to any method of teaching lip-reading.

In the January *Atlantic Monthly*, Mr. Ernest Elmo Calkins gives a forcible and truthful exposition of the difficulties by which the deafened are constantly confronted. He considers that the art of being deaf is an acquired art; "for the deaf are called upon to perform prodigies of deduction. In every communication that goes on between them and their fellows, they are working double, devoting most of their energy to finding out what it is all about, and carrying on the conversation with one hand, as it were." But even these difficulties may be minimized by a thorough mastery of the method of the Nitchie School, and particularly by the helps offered in the volume just published.

## St. Louis Briefs

The evening class for the deaf at Central High, taught by Miss Mary Deem, has resumed its sessions. It meets 7:30 to 8:30 Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Walter Mack, a recent graduate of the Illinois School, is making himself a welcome addition to the local silent community.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred W. Stockside has been gladdened by the arrival of a little daughter.

Mrs. Charles Hagen (Elizabeth Haynes), died recently of pneumonia.

The father of Mrs. Max M. Lubin, died recently. Mrs. Lubin was unable to come on from New York to attend the funeral, owing to illness of her little child.

Mrs. Arthur Steidemann was called to Indianapolis recently by the death of brother. She returned a few days later.

Miss Elizabeth Russell, a former Gallaudet School teacher, but more recently connected with the Louisiana School, was in the city recently calling on friends and also at the School.

The many St. Louisians from the Illinois School will be interested in the dates of the next R-union to be held at their Alma Mater at Jacksonville—June 8th to 11th.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Gibbons, prominent in local Roman Catholic circles, celebrated their silver wedding anniversary recently. Quite a number of their friends gave them personal calls and substantial remembrances on the happy occasion.

A. J. Rodenberger, the first citizen of East St. Louis, and of Illinois, being president of the Illinois State Association, recently made a flying visit to Peoria on Association business.

W. H. Schaub now is the proud owner of an automobile, which is taken as an indication that he does not think that the deaf will be denied the right to drive their own cars. Here's hoping that he is right.

The many St. Louisians who had the pleasure of meeting Mrs. Becton, of Tennessee, while she was a guest of Mrs. Arthur Brockmann last summer, will regret to hear of her death, which occurred recently from an attack of the flu.

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## CHICAGO.

I'll fares the flock, and duller grows their wit,  
When meager handfuls gather at the "lit,"  
The greatest signers churn Chicago's airs  
Before an audience of empty chairs.

A crowd numbering less than forty, enjoyed an excellent lecture by Dr. George T. Dougherty, January 27th, on Louis Pasteur—called "The World's Greatest Benefactor," by reason of having discovered the fact that sickness is caused by germs. Somehow, considering the 3000 silents estimated to reside in Chicago's environs, the high-class attractions offered do not pull worth a tinker's dam. Which is o shame, and a scandal, and a commentary on our unappreciation of the good things of life.

It is hoped no such disgracefully small turn-out greets the next two big lectures in literary circles: MacGregor and Morrison. Robert MacGregor, admittedly one of the best sign-masters of America; for decades a teacher in the Columbus, Ohio, School; and esteemed the leading war-horse in the anti-oral campaign of the Nad (which seems to have collapsed like a punctured balloon). Robert MacGregor the great—himself, the original—will address Chicagoans at the Sac, February 24th. This is supposed to be open to non-members.

The other lecturer is a hearing man—ex-supt. Morrison of the Missouri School, and was arranged by Dr. Dougherty, the chairman of the Pas literary branch.

A fair-sized crowd of the fairest of the fair—and others—saw a fair "Street Fair" at the Sac, January 27th, managed by Mrs. Emery Horn.

There were seven side-shows at five cents each, among them "The Leg Show" (paper-stuffed stockings hung on the wall), "A Kiss for 5 cents" (cheap candy-kisses), "The Swimming Match" couple of common parlor matches floating in a basin of water), "Fortune Teller" (his stock-phrase was "day by day" something-or-other), and "Your Cartoon for a Nickel." This last was really unique, young Jacob Cohen rapidly sketching a rough cartoon of your facial peculiarities and presenting same as a souvenir.

Joe Wondra, as an educated chimpanzee, was the great saving-feature of the fair; were this man able to hear he would assuredly make big money on the vaudeville stage. Joe garnered just \$1.10 in pennies in his tip cup. And, oh, yes, of course, there was the inevitable "Hizzoner," who fined the just and the unjust alike for real or fancied frivolities.

Malcom MacLean's column in the *Herald and Examiner* had this:

At amateur bouts it is the custom for the boys to get their instructions in their dressing rooms rather than in the center of the ring. But a referee near Chicago broke this rule recently, and called the first two boys under the light, and proceeded to lay down the law.

They appeared to listen intently. While the crowd handed out a big razz. Somebody was kind enough to tip off the news to the referee both boys were deaf and dumb, and his confusion was worth a comic strip.

The boys couldn't hear the gong so their seconds would hammer on the floor with a club. They got the vibration through their legs, and would stop instantly.

Friends and relatives remembered Mrs. Ed. Kingon with a dinner on her birthday, the 25th.

While Mrs. Frank Spaulding was cooking in her second-floor flat on the 23d, she smelled smoke. Running downstairs, she found the base ment was afire. Her premises and contents were unharmed, but the landlord's effects on the first floor were well "fumigated" by fire and smoke.

Pretty, plump and pleasant, Mrs. Edward Tell presented her husband with an 8-lb. boy on the 20th.

Twelve tables of bunco sat at the Lutheran church on the 20th.

"Old Reliable" Harry Belling, who served as caretaker of the splendid premises of the Silent A. C. for twice as long as any other individual, was married on December 30th, to Mrs. Rena Ragsdale.

It is unofficially reported that young Morris Sinclair married Miss Elliott, in Peoria, last month.

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Roy Hunter was called to Nevada, to attend the funeral of a relative.

Miss Henrietta Wilkins, of Indianapolis, secured employment at Hillman's, through the influence of a sister working there.

The Washington Barrows recently dined as guests of the Jesse Watermans.

Among the children of deaf parents graduating February 2—"Groundhog Day"—were Margaret Barrow, from Englewood High School.

The Ward Smalls entertained thirty-four orphans of the Saturday Evening Oral club, on the 27th. The following Thursday Mrs. Small played hostess to ten ladies at one of those much sought-after "social afternoons and luncheons" at her palatial Evanson home.

Mrs. Charles Kemp has been on the sick list.

Dates ahead: February 17th—Box Social and Valentine Post Office, Pas. Box Social, Aux-Sacs. twenty-four—Dance at Pas Lecture by Robert MacGregor at Sac. March 2d—Frat bunco, Sac.

THE MEAGHERS.

## A BOY WITHOUT A TRADE.

Mr. K. P. Crawford, of Doylestown, Pa., was driving along the Lincoln Highway near Harrisburg, Pa., where he picked up a young man to give him a lift. The young man was found to be deaf, without a trade, out of work, and hunting for a job. The man took him to Harrisburg and tried to find him work.

From there he took him to Philadelphia, stopping along the way in search of work for him, paying his room and board. He took care of him this way for three days. At last he brought him to Mt. Airy, where Dr. Croner found he knew some one connected with the *Silent Worker*. The kind friend brought him to the office of the *Silent Worker* and we are trying to place this young man.

Something is wrong when a young deaf boy is brought to manhood without the rudiments of a trade. All the education we can give a deaf boy is of little consequence if he cannot adjust himself to his economic environment. Letters have been received by the *Silent Worker* from some of the best educated deaf, stating that they were losing their self-respect—that they were losing their interest in life—and in other because they could find no niche in which they could be useful. They had not mastered a trade and there was no place open for them. They stated that they felt like parasites, which they were as they were living on producing; as they were receiving without giving. A French sociologist once stated that there were but three classes of people—thieves, beggars, and producers. If, by the time you have reached the prime of life, you are not producing more than you consume, you are a beggar. If you are securing your livelihood dishonestly, you are a thief. The producer is the only self-respecting member of society. Therefore, every school for the deaf should see that each boy and girl is well trained in some trade which will fit them to use their talents for benefit of themselves and society. Otherwise, their education will not bring them happiness, contentment, and self-respect.

It is seldom a man will be found so generous as Mr. Crawford, who will give not only his money but his time and effort to assist a poor deaf boy who has no trade and is out of a job. Most people would give the boy a little change, and be glad to get rid of him.—*Silent Worker*.

The New York JOURNAL in its last issue has an editorial on graduates of our schools who have published and edited papers for the benefit of themselves and society.

Deafness, in itself, is no great handicap in the newspaper business, and there have been and are deaf men who have been quite successful in their field. There is a bit of his story in this line connected with the founder of the *Standard*, Mr. James Goodloe George. During the Civil War he owned and edited the *Messenger*, a weekly paper published at Richmond, Ky. Restless and aggressive, the paper reflected his personality, and his outspoken stand for the Union gave deep offense to the Confederate element. Those were stirring times in Kentucky, with the armies of first one side then the other in possession of the State. In 1862 a Confederate force captured Richmond, and his office, with its equipment, was destroyed, and a search was made for the editor with the avowed intention of hanging him. He was hidden at the home of Mr. R. M. Argot, the father of Dr. W. K. Argot, for several days, and later escaped to Louisville, where he became chief clerk in the office of the Union provost marshal. It was twelve years after the sudden termination of his editorial work at Richmond that he founded the *Standard*, which he edited with great ability until his death in 1876.—*Kentucky Standard*.

Pig iron made from melted magnetic sand in Japan will, if successful, revolutionize the steel industry, according to reports from that country.

## Gallaudet College.

Prof. Fred H. Hughes surprised us all by quietly marrying Miss Regina M. Olson, Wednesday afternoon, January 31st, at four o'clock.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. Brundage of the Eckington Presbyterian church, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon. The wedding was held at the home of Miss Elizabeth Peet, with only their most intimate friends present. The couple left immediately on a honeymoon through eastern points. Prof. Hughes graduated in 1913 and Mrs. Hughes in 1918. The entire student body joins in wishing them a long, happy married life. We do not know where they will reside.

The College enjoyed a brief visit from the following gentlemen. Messers. Bjorle Supt. of the Maryland school, Forrester of the school at Rochester, N. Y., and Goodwin of the North Carolina School. They found quite a few students here whom they knew.

The track team is working hard for the coming relays. The runners are running twice a week on the indoor track at the Coliseum. The men are contemplating entering the meet here on February, the 21st, and then the meet in Baltimore, the 24th. There is still a little uncertainty, as there is a shortage of material. There are only four candidates for the relay.

The staff of the *Buff and Blue* are now working on the Hotchkiss memorial number, which we hope will go a little ways toward helping pay the debt we owe him.

Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Bush, of Richmond, Va., were here over the week end, and came over to see the basket-ball game.

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That unlucky streak that has been hounding the boys seems to have caught on to the girls too. They lost a peach of a game to National Park Seminary Friday afternoon, February 2d. The team represented a change in line-up, having Misses Kannapell and Newton from the P. C.'s, in the sextette, and these did very well, especially Miss Kannapell who also played her first year made a great impression. Miss Sandberg as usual played her great game, and Miss Rogers also did well. This seminary team is always hard to beat, yet our girls have the knack of playing better on a foreign floor than on their own court, so they have a fine chance when they play their return game on the Seminary Court.

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Smith R. F. Sandberg  
Clarke L. F. Dobson  
Sears C. Newton  
Dentz S. C. Moss  
Palmer R. G. Rogers  
Poilack L. G. Clemens

Subs. Kannapell for Dobson, Crump for Clemons. Field goals—Sandberg 6, Clarke 8, Dobson 2, Clarke 5, Kannapell 1, Poul goals—Smith 2, Clarke 1, Sandberg 2, Kannapell 1.

The Preps. have a basket-ball team all their own and after the Varsity—Marine game they took on the Hilltop A. C. team and ran over them rough-shod.

The score ended 43 to 8 in the P. C.'s favor. They are anxious to book games with the other prep. schools around here. This would build up material for the future

# NEW YORK.

News items for this column should be sent direct to the DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL, Station M, New York.

A few words of information in a letter or postal or card is sufficient. We will do the rest.

## THE FRAT' BALL

Between eight hundred and a thousand is a conservative estimate of the number of deaf people in attendance at the Masque Ball of the Brooklyn Division No. 23, National Fraternal Society of the Deaf.

It was held in Imperial Hall, Brooklyn, on Saturday, February 2d, and was the fourteenth annual success in this line that No. 23 has undertaken.

The hall was so crowded that dancing had to be confined to a small portion of the ball room floor. The mezzanine floor was also filled to capacity.

There were delegations from the New England cities and from Philadelphia, Washington. And everybody had a good time—some in talking, others in dancing, and still others in watching the funny antics of those in costume and mask.

The cash prizes offered, aggregating one hundred dollars, brought forth quite handsome ones, but the grotesque and comic variety.

The judges of awards were presidents of Frat Divisions in New York and vicinity, and their selections were as follows:—

## LADIES

1st Prize, Jane Henry and Etta Aaron, Old Fashioned Twins.

2nd, Vera Hoffman and Clara Sylvester, George and Martha Washington.

3rd, Rebecca Champagne, Sun Raisin Maid.

4th, Marie Croegel, Hawaii Girls.

5th, Rose Wax, Spearmint Gum Girl.

6th, Miss Bessie Frey, Gold Dust Girl.

7th, Mrs. L. Fisher, Queen Girl.

8th, Mrs. S. I. Cohn, German Mark Girl.

## GENTLEMEN

1st Prize, Rudolph Valentine, Howard Newhard, from Allentown Pa.

2nd, J. Lykes, Snow Man.

3rd, Harold Yager, Chink.

4th, Herbert Dickman, Fireman.

5th, J. Grossman, Hercules Man.

6th, Lester Cohen, Negger Duke.

7th, D. Lynch, Old Maid.

8th, Mr. Borgu, The Fur Man.

There were twenty numbers on the dance program and "unsurpassed" music.

The floor manager was H. Bryan, assisted by Henry Hecht and Sam Greenberg.

To the committee who had the arrangements in charge congratulations are extended, and lest you should forget them and their achievement their names are appended: Benjamin Friedwald, Chairman, James H. Manning, Edward Bum, Isidore Goldstein, Isidore Blumenthal.

The officers of Number Twenty-Three, for the ensuing year, are:—

Lincoln C. Sehndler, President; Harry J. Powell, Vice-President; Benjamin Friedwald, Secretary; Allen Hitchcock, Treasurer; John J. Bohman, Director; David Miller, Sergeant-at-Arms. Board of Trustees—Hycanth Dramis, Chairman, Jacob Landau and Solomon Buttenheim.

Past Presidents—Harry P. Kane, Wilbur L. Bowers, Harry J. Powell, Benjamin Friedwald, Alexander L. Pach, James F. Constantine, Max M. Lubin, Aliee Hitchcock.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Wasserman, of Amsterdam, N. Y., were in town for a time, and on February 1st entertained a party of deaf people in the spacious parlor of their suite at Hotel Sherman Square, where they are staying. They are both former graduates of the Lexington Avenue School, and the deaf guests all save a few also attended. Naturally the subject in discussion was "old times," but that was not all. The genial host saw to it that the smokers were supplied with "perfectos," and card games, and Mrs. Wasserman prepared an elaborate spread, picnic style, and on the whole, the evening was very enjoyable. Besides Mr. and Mrs. Wasserman and their charming niece, Miss Rosalie, and nephew, Mr. Nad Stein, there were present the following besides Mr. and Mrs. Wasserman, Mr. and Mrs. Culmer Barnes, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bettles, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Bothner, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Cohen, Mr. and Mrs. Simon Hirsh, Mr. and Mrs. Max Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Moses Loew, Miss Ida Abrams, Mrs. John O'Brien, Mrs. Joseph Peters and Mrs. Hannah Vetterlein. In a few days, they will leave for Boston to visit relatives, and then start for home.

Mrs. Minnie Rosenbaum (nee Elkin), died on Friday, February 2d, after a short illness of "flu." She formerly lived in Reading, Pa., but on the death of her husband, Dave Rosenbaum, she returned to New York to reside permanently.

# PHILADELPHIA.

January 28th proved to be a stormy day, but it made no difference to about a hundred deaf people that made their way to the S. A. C. rooms over in Brooklyn, where a Necktie and Apron Party was scheduled for the day. Many new faces were seen in the rooms that had not been there before. Several were from out of town, staying over the week, in order to attend the Frat Ball.

Prizes were distributed to those wearing the most unique and original aprons and neckties. The winners were as follows: Ladies: First prize, Mrs. Kansridge, sewing accessories; second prize, Mrs. Mitchell, box writing paper; third prize, Mrs. O'Hearn, collar. Gentlemen: First prize, Mr. Hecht, muffler; second prize, Mr. Pease, safety razor; third, Mr. Mc Nee, silk necktie. The judges were Messrs. Reddington, Cosgrove, Willett and Mrs. Rudolph.

Mr. Hy. Dramis acted as chairman. He was assisted by Messrs. Joseph Sheehan, A. Berg, E. Pons and A. Baschen.

The inclement weather of that Sunday, turned out to be no drawback on January 28th, to the many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Julius A. Rathbain who are comfortably domiciled in their new home in Rockville Centre, L. I. They were met at the station by Mr. Rathbain who took them to the house in his little flivver. The purpose of the visit was to honor Baby Doris, their daughter, on her first birthday. She was certainly glad to make friends and smiled so sweetly, showing her little teeth which she is proud of.

The afternoon was spent chatting and admiring the baby. Towards evening a buffet supper was served in their spacious dining room, and all enjoyed the eats as well as the home brew which Mr. Rathbain should be complimented for knowing the secret of its making. After supper the men smoked in the sun parlor while the ladies were busy gossiping. All had a most enjoyable time till 8:00, then all made haste to catch the train. Those who were present were the Mesdames Max Miller, M. W. Loew, S. Gomprecht, and M. L. Kenner, Mr. and Mrs. Simon Hirsch, Misses Mathilde Steiner and Anna Hamburger, Mr. Lawrence Weinberg, Mrs. Barry of Freeport, L. I., and Mrs. Townsend, of Hollis, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Le Clerc are enjoying the splendid California climate and are both in fine health and spirits. The longer they stay in California the more they like it, but of course always miss their many good friends in New York. This summer they propose to go to Yellowstone Park and see that great wonder of the world. Their next trip will be to Honolulu, Sandwich Islands. Finally they intend to make a prolonged stay in Southern California before returning East. They both send greetings especially to the Deaf-Mutes' Union League and the League of Elect Surds.

Metropolitan Chapter of the Gallaudet Alumni Association celebrated the birthday of Edward Miner Gallaudet, at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Nies, on Monday, February 5th. The Chapter members were guests of the officers. As the writer was not present, he did not get the details of the affair.

Miss Dora Whitman, a Fanwood graduate of last year's class, had a coterie of boys and girls to celebrate her birthday last week. She received many nice presents. Games were played for prizes, the winners being Harry Bell and Rose Weinart, also Esther Simkin Dora's brother, Harry Whitman, and Louis Farber made speeches. They had fine refreshments and plenty of dancing.

The father of Keith Watt Morris died on January 20th. Funeral was from the Church of St. Mary the Virgin, on Thursday morning, February 1st.

While returning from hunting Dec. 15, using the railroad track as a foot-path, Leo Heughins of Superior was run down and killed. The crew blew the whistle and rang the bell in an effort to warn of the approaching danger. As he failed to heed their signals they applied the brakes—but too late. Leo was 20 years of age and attended this school a few years ago. It is with deep regret that we learn of his sudden demise. The funeral was held on the 18th with Wm. Jones and Elton Platte, former schoolmates here, and four others as pall-bearers.—Wisconsin Times.

## WARNING.

LOOK OUT for a faker using the name of Dr. Hall, President of Gallaudet College, as a subscriber for relief of Russian deaf persons. He should be held by the police and investigated. He collected money from deaf people in Washington, and is now in either Philadelphia or New York.

# PHILADELPHIA.

Mr. and Mr. William L. Salter entertained a number of friends at their home in Wissinoming last New Year's Eve. Being Sunday, the evening was quietly but pleasantly spent. At eleven o'clock all repaired to the dining room where they were treated to sandwiches and coffee. Afterwards the men held a smoker in the basement, which was fixed up for the occasion, and, at the stroke of 12 o'clock rushed upstairs to exchange greetings with the ladies present. Soon after that the guests dispersed for their homes. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Sanders, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Rodgers, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Partington, Mr. and Mrs. Warren M. Smaltz, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Paul, Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Verker, Mrs. C. O. Danzter, Washington Houston, Misses Gertrude and Helen Parker, Miss Esther Pierson, James A. Parker, father of Mrs. Salter, of Leipsic, Delaware, and a grandson. Several others had been invited but were unable to be present.

On January 20th, the Philadelphia Local Branch P. S. A. D., passed the evening in receiving recitations.

A very interesting talk of his experiences on land and sea was given by Mr. Edward Kreider, of Missouri, before the Clerc Literary Association at its meeting on January 25th. Mr. Kreider is thirty-six years of age and was educated at the Fulton, Mo., School for the Deaf. He has followed the sea eleven years and has encircled the world six times in that time. He is now attached to the S. S. Inn of the Black Diamond Steamship Company as a steamer. The steamer sails between New York and Australia.

Miss Gertrude M. Downey suffered an attack of pneumonia in January and was treated at the Episcopal Hospital. She was recently removed to her boarding place, where she is now convalescing.

John Ward has been confined at the Episcopal Hospital for several weeks to receive treatment for lead poisoning.

The Rev. Mr. Dantzer is still at the Episcopal Hospital and his condition is continually improved, although still weak.

William Doughten, of Doyles town, caretaker of the small farm of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Campbell, is reported ill with pneumonia at present.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Fowler are receiving congratulations on the birth of a girl. She arrived on January 19th last.

Mr. Leo Roy Moore, of Harrisburg, Pa., was a recent visitor here.

Frederick Hall, colored, who came here from the South, is a wood lather contractor and would like to hear from some lather workers in the South. They should address him at 1627 Ellsworth Street, Phila., Pa.

On Saturday evening, January 13th, Beth Israel Association for the Deaf held a masked ball for its benefit at the Grand Fraternity. It was well attended and was, as usual, both socially and financially successful.

Mr. James F. Brady gave an instructive talk before the Beth Israel Association for the Deaf on Sunday afternoon, January 28th.

Philadelphia Division, No. 30, N. F. S. D., at the regular meeting in January, saw its officers wear handsome new regalia for the first time, by both the outgoing and incoming administrations.

James L. Patterson, an employee of the Atlantic Refinery Company of this city, attended an enjoyable entertainment given at Scottish Rite Hall, by the Wm. G. Wardon Beneficial Association, the employees' association of the Refinery, on Friday evening, January 26th. The title of the play was "It Pays to Advertise." Dancing followed the play.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Williams and children of Norristown, Pa., were visiting in Philadelphia on January 27th.

Mr. Nathan Schwartz, of Norfolk, Va., was a visitor at our regular Frat meeting on Friday evening, Feb. 2d. Mrs. Schwartz is Secretary and Treasurer of No. 84 of his place. He stopped here only about a day on his way to attend the masquerade ball of No. 23 in Brooklyn, N. Y., on Saturday evening, 3d inst.

Washington Houston was more than pleased with the large number of Christmas and New Year's greeting cards sent him by friends and well-wishers.

St. Stephen's Church's parish house in the rear of the church was destroyed by fire a short time ago. It was formerly the home of All Souls' Mission and the Clerc Literary Association before the church building on Franklin Street, near Green, was bought.

Some coming events:—

February 8—Clerc Literary Association Lecture by Rev. Dr. Charles B. DuBell.

February 10—All Soul's Social Club

Vaudeville, at Parish House.

February 14—Ash Wednesday service, in All Souls' Church, at 8:15 P.M.

February 17—Local Branch, P. S. A. D., meeting in Parish House.

February 18—At 3:00 P.M. Confirmation and Holy Communion. The Rt. Rev. George W. Davenport, of Diocese of Eastern, Md., Celebrant.

Mr. Joseph Lipsett, hearing son, of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Lipsett, has transferred to All Souls' Church for the Deaf and is now licensed as a Lay-Reader. He may be of great use in interpreting oral addresses in the Church on different occasions, as he is quite conversant with the sign language.

The Sheriff's answer is below:—

Office of Sheriff of Belmont County, St. Clairsville, Ohio, Dec. 24, 1922.

DEAR SIR:—My attention has been called to some proposed legislation seeking to make it unlawful for a deaf person to drive an automobile. I am acquainted with a number of deaf people who drive cars, and know of no more careful drivers. Being deprived of their hearing they exercise greater care with the use of the average driver. As a class I know of no more careful drivers than these afflicted people, and think it uncalled for and an injustice to deprive them of this pleasure and privilege.

Very truly yours, R. T. LYNCH

Mr. MacGregor spoke on the bill introduced in the legislature recently transferring the school for Deaf and for the Blind from under the Director of Welfare to that of the State Director of Education. Matters had not yet reached a stage in the bill to warrant opposition, and he thought it best to wait till we came to the bridge or till something was seen in the bill that is objectionable.

Treasurer Volp gave his report for the year and it was approved.

The officers elected are President, Mr. Wm. H. Zorn, reelected; Vice-President, Mrs. Anna Callison; Secretary, Mr. J. B. Showalter, by a rising vote, Miss Lamson having declined to serve longer, but will continue to act in automobile correspondence. Mr. Volp was also reelected by a rising vote, Treasurer, Messrs. Hernian and Brady Cook McWeber and Mrs. Bernice Faulhaber names were presented for membership and they were unanimously accepted.

The president appointed Miss

Bessie MacGregor and Mrs. Anna Callison Program Committee, and after the transaction of some minor business, the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. Elwood Barber, of Canal Winchester, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Ellis and a niece, of Kenton, Ohio, were visitors to friends in the City.

The three latter guests of Mrs. Joe Lieb. They had been down to Kingston, Ohio, attending the funeral of Mr. Ellis' brother, who died January 28th.

Miss Nettie Jones, who has been here since before the holidays returned to Milwaukee, Wis., Friday.

She greatly enjoyed her visit among her Buckeye friends.

We were sent the following from the *News-Sentinel*, of Fort Wayne, Ind.

Messrs. Ernest Thomas and Estel Barry mentioned, are former pupils of the Ohio School.

MUTES FORM S. S. CLASS

A Bible class exclusively for deaf-mutes has organized at the Trinity M. E. church and the officers were announced Sunday. They are: Mrs. Ernest Thomas, president; Arthur Ketner, vice-president; Chester McKissie, secretary, and Estel Barry, treasurer.

The first regular meeting of the class will be held at 2:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon, February 4. The Rev. Mr. Charles, Columbus, O., will conduct the class at that time.

A. B. G.

FANWOOD.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Glassner visited the Institution, and were accompanied by Cadet Adjutant Lester Cahill to the Protean Society, on Wednesday, January 31st. Mr. Samuel Glassner was educated at Fanwood, but Mrs. Samuel Glassner (nee Edith Cohen) received her education at Trenton School for the Deaf.

Cadet Captain Robert J. Fitting and Cadet Harold Yager went to Brooklyn for the Masquerade Ball, of the Brooklyn Division, No. 23, N. F. S. D., at Imperial Hall on Saturday evening, February 3d. Robert Fitting was a Black Hobo, and Harold Yager, a Chinaman.

Harold Yager won the third prize—\$3.00. We had a grand time at the Masquerade Ball.

On Friday afternoon, February 2d, Miss Alice Teegarden's class had birthday party in honor of Corporal Rose Ortner at the school. That evening she was given a surprise party by Adriastan Society in the Girls' study room. All had a fine feast and thoroughly enjoyed.

Friday evening the Hoosiers played a game in the city with the Bliss College team and were beaten, but we do not know the score. Saturday was spent by then variously. They are to leave to-morrow morning by way of Richmond, Indiana, where they will stop over long enough for a chicken dinner given by a friend, and after that back to their school. The boys deported themselves gentlemanly in every way while here, and if they enjoyed their visit stay here the school people surely did theirs.

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Principal Gardner has been happy all during the past week, due to the fact that Mrs. Gardner returned home on January 28th, from a three-months trip to the coast and to various intermediate points.

